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of such state and county taxes for the following year within three months after one year from such assessment. In case the owners of any such lands are unknown instead of sending the notices by mail he shall cause the lists of such assessments, together with the amounts of county tax on said lands so certified to him, both for the current year, to be advertised for three weeks successively in the state paper, and in some newspaper, if any, printed in the county in which the land lies, and shall cause like advertisement of the lists of such state and county taxes for the following year to be made within three months after one year from such assessment. Said lands are held to the state for payment of such state and county taxes, with interest thereon at the rate of six per cent to commence upon the taxes for the year for which such assessment is made at the expiration of six months and upon the taxes for the following year at the expiration of eighteen months from the date of such assessment.'

Sec. 2. R. S., c. 10, sec. 45; relating to redemption of lands assessed and advertised. Section forty-five of chapter ten of the revised statutes, is hereby amended, by striking out the words "and advertised" in the first line, so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 45. Advertisement of lists of assessments eliminated. Owners of the lands so assessed may redeem them by paying to the treasurer of state the taxes with interest thereon within one year from the time when such interest commences. Each owner may pay for his interest in any tract, whether in common or not, and upon filing with the state assessors a certificate showing the number of acres, and describing the property on which he desires to pay the tax and where the same is located, and paying the amount due, shall receive a certificate from the treasurer of state, discharging the tax on the number of acres or interest, upon which such payment is made. Each part or interest of every such township or tract upon which the state or county taxes so advertised are not paid with interest within the time limited in this section for such redemption, shall be wholly forfeited to the state, and vest therein free of any claim by any former owner. But this section and the five following sections do not apply to taxes upon organized plantations taxed by the state as wild lands.'

Approved March 21, 1923.

Chapter 67.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

P. L., 1917, c. 219, sec. 9; relating to screening outlets of ponds and lakes.

An Act to Amend Section Nine of Chapter Two Hundred and Nineteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, Relating to the Screening of Lakes and Ponds.

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amended. Section nine of chapter two hundred and nineteen of the public laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen is hereby amended by inserting after the word "determine" in the third line of said section the words. 'provided, further, that the commissioner of inland fisheries and game, upon petition of twenty-five interested citizens of the state, may promulgate regulations prohibiting all fishing within five hundred yards of any screen installed by authority of the department of inland fisheries and game or by virtue of an appropriation made for same by the legislature of this state,' and by inserting after the word "game" in the fifth line of said section the words 'or whoever fishes for, takes, catches, kills or destroys any kind of fish at any time in any waters closed to fishing by virtue of this section,' and by striking out the words "fifty dollars and costs for each offense" in the sixth line of said section, and by inserting in place thereof, the words 'not less than fifty dollars nor more than five hundred dollars and costs for each offense, or imprisonment not exceeding three years,' so that said section, as amended, shall read as follows:

'Sec. 9. Fishing may be prohibited within 500 yards of any screen; pen-_ alty provided. The commissioner may in his discretion authorize the screening of the outlet of any pond or lake under such conditions as he may determine. Provided, further, that the commissioner of inland fisheries and game, upon petition of twenty-five interested citizens of the state, may promulgate regulations prohibiting all fishing within five hundred yards of any screen installed by authority of the department of inland fisheries and game or by virtue of an appropriation made for same by the legislature of this state. Whoever shall take up, destroy or injure any screen erected at the outlet of any lake or pond by authority of the commissioner of inland fisheries and game, or whoever fishes for, takes, catches, kills or destroys any kind of fish at any time in any waters closed to fishing by virtue of this section, shall pay a fine of not less than fifty nor more than five hundred dollars and costs for each offense or imprisonment not exceeding three years.'

Approved March 21, 1923.

Chapter 68.

An Act to Amend Section Twenty-seven of Chapter Two Hundred and Nineteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, as Amended by Chapter Two Hundred and Forty-four of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Seventeen, and by Chapter One Hundred and Ninety-six of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Nineteen, and by Chapter Two Hundred and Eighteen of the Public Laws of Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-one, Relating to Use of Traps, Spears and Nets in Taking Fish in Inland Waters.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

P. L. 1917, c. 219, sec. 27; 1917, c. 244; 1919, c. 196; 1921, c. 218; relating

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